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United Church

Church School, 10.30 a.m.
Another full month before holidays come. Let us keep the attendance high.
Public Worship, 11.30 a.m.
You are invited to worship with us. Commence the day with God. The pastor will conduct the service.
Rev. N. W. Whitmore, Minister

OBITUARY

Mrs. Margaret Kennedy

We have received the following clipping from Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Crossie, which will be of interest to many Empress people—

After a short illness at the family residence, 273 Kent Street W., the death took place of Margaret Kennedy, widow of James Kennedy, formerly of Reborn and Empress, Alberta. Many years ago the late James and Margaret Kennedy, with their son, A. W. Kennedy, went to Saskatchewan, where they resided until they took up resi-

Mayfield Entertainment and Dance a Big Success

Mayfield went out with a wonderful success at their 'Men's Nite' on the 24th.

Seating accommodation was inadequate for the large crowd who turned out for the program. A number having to be satisfied to look through the windows.

The enthusiastic applause gave evidence that the various numbers given by Mayfield's local talent was both pleasing and acceptable. The only criticism heard was that the program was too short. However, the dance which followed immediately kept the crowd happy until daylight appeared. The Empress orchestra furnished enjoyable music.

Financially the "nite" was a big success, as all expenses had been met over \$100 was paid off the indebtedness on the hall, which is now a very small debt. The Committee thank all helpers and say again: Come back to Mayfield as often as you can.

dence in Empress, Alberta. Shortly after the death of her husband, Mrs. Kennedy came to Lindsay owing to the illness of her brother, the late John McKelroy, and remained until the time of her death. She was of a kind and generous disposition, and a great help to the needy. In her younger days she was an active member in the Anglican Church. During her stay in Empress, she was actively engaged in the F.O.D.E. work. She leaves to mourn her loss one son, A. W. Kennedy, of Estevan, Sask., and two sisters, Mrs. E. Marrs, of Toronto and Miss S. McArthur, of town.

Funeral service at the house was conducted by Canon Marsh, of St. Paul's Church, assisted by Rev. Dr. Holling of First United Church. The funeral took place on Wednesday, May 16th, to Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Duff were visitors to Calgary this week.

Empress Sports Day, Wednesday, July 4

A special meeting of the Empress Board of Trade to consider the question of a Sports Day, was held in the rotunda of the hotel on May 28.

After discussion it was moved that a Sports Day be held in Empress on Wednesday, July 4.

It was resolved that athletic activities be confined to Baseball and Horseshoe tournaments.

A general committee of five were elected and included: G. S. Tucker, J. N. Anderson, N. D. Storey, W. R. Brodie and C. R. Moore.

Prize money for ball tournament was set at \$300.00. Winning teams of each game to receive 25.00; final game money, 50.00. No money to be paid for byes. Suitable prizes to be given for horseshoe tournament.

It was resolved that entrance fee of 500 be charged teams entering the baseball tournament, the entry fee to be in the hands of the Secretary, June 26, and to be refunded when team appears on diamond.

Fee to the grounds was set at 50c. for adults; 25c. children. Children under 12 years free. Ball players in uniform free. Captains of teams to receive an extra pass.

It is expected that with the number of ball teams there are this year in adjacent districts, there should be keen interest in the games and good competition for the money offered.

Achieves Distinctive Honor

Wm. (Bill) Rowles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rowles, received his degree as "Dr. of Philosophy" on May 30. He is holding a Junior professorship at MacDonald College, St. Ann's, Montreal. He graduated at Saskatoon in 1924. People of this district will be very pleased to hear of this success of Mr. Rowles, Jr., and we join in the general congratulations for the honor he has attained.

Leland

Public worship at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. A helpful hour for everybody old and young.

N. W. Whitmore, Minister.

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Buffalo vs. Empress

The ball team from Buffalo were visitors to Empress on Saturday to play the local High School team. The result of this game was the reverse of the previous game at Buffalo, the home boys winning by a wide margin. The Empresses apparently had more confidence on their home ground and hit the offerings of the Buffalo moundsmen freely. A lot of good natured banter featured the game, and apparently the visitors had a very enjoyable time.

A Fine Example of Honesty

J. H. McLean, a young man of about twenty-five years of age, who passed through Brooks Thursday, with his parents, picked up a purse containing bills. The family had just recently left Honolulu and were returning through Canada to Sherbrooke, N.B., their home. It would have been a very easy matter for the young man to have kept the money and said nothing about it. No one would have been any wiser.

Instead he brought the money to Macdonald, manager of the Royal Bank and left it with him. He was even reticent about giving his name to Mr. Macdonald in order the money be forwarded, in case it was unclaimed.

Mr. Macdonald delivered an advertisement to The Bulletin to be inserted this week, calling attention to the money found. Before going to the press however they received a phone call from Eyremore asking them to insert an advertisement for a sum of money lost, and upon describing the advertisement to Mr. Macdonald the owner has been found.

Mr. Whitmore, of Empress who was motoring through Eyremore, lost the money in a town on his way through—Ex.

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New patterns and styles. Good variety to choose from.

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Variety of ordinary and fancy socks, we can please you with these goods.

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"SANDY"

The Jeweler and Clothier

District Is Visited By Showers

Since Saturday, May 26, the district has been visited by a number of showers which have done much to brighten the hopes of farmers and improved crop prospects considerably. North of town there apparently has been a number of showers, south-west of town the precipitation has been lighter.

Pool Notes

The date of the cut-off for the 1927 Pool has been fixed for Monday, July 16th. All who have wheat to be delivered should see that it is in the elevators before that date. In past years members have passed the cut-off date and complained that they were not given sufficient notice. The Pool wants to make sure that the information is given wide publicity this year. July 16th is the cut-off date.

Members have until June 15th to send in their nominations for delegates. Nomination blanks are in the membership lists which recently were sent out. Each nomination to be valid must have the name of ten Wheat Pool members in the same sub-district as nominees. See to it that the man you want is properly nominated. Don't neglect this matter and then when it is too late complain about matters. The selection of delegates is a very important matter. The delegates are your representatives.

Bull Pond Bridge Nearing Completion

The bridge across the Red Deer river at Bull Pond, being constructed by the Greelman Co. for the C.P.R. Rossmore Northern branch, is nearing completion. It is now expected the bridge will be finished in July.

The construction company had expected to have the piers finished early this spring before the break-up of the river ice, but the extremely severe winter and the difficulty of getting supplies, coupled with the early break-up of the river, delayed operations many weeks. The river ice breaking with sudden and unusual severity did a great deal of damage to falsework and machinery, and the loss of time on this account was considerable.

All spring, however, the work has been progressing in a rapid and satisfactory manner, and should be completed within two months time—Mail, Saskatoon.

Here's A Hot One

W. P. writes: "A batch of jokes I sent to the editors were rejected as no good, but when I threw them in the stove the fire just roared."

on the Pool organization. Their authority is supreme when it comes to a decision on Pool policies.

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Tokio Expected To Take Strong Measures In Dealing With China

Peking.—With the trifts of Tsinan silent and the warfare at least temporarily still, the whole Orient anxiously awaited an answer to its query, "what will Japan do?" The chief attention is now focussed on Tokio, where the Diet was reported in extraordinary session to solemnly consider relations with China.

Assurances of the safety of the British, American and German communities limited the issue to Japan and nationalist China.

The Japanese troops at Tsinan, worried by several days of fighting and with the tension of uninterrupted pouring of their national conscripts in the Canadian and vicinity, have been relieved by 2,000 soldiers who had made a forced march overland from Tsinan to under Major-General Tsuchioka.

The latest Japanese accounts are calculated to strengthen the advocates to Tokio taking strong measures as the result of the Tsinan trouble.

The Japanese count there, in a measure giving the impression of the sufferings of his civilian captivities, said at least fourteen had died cruelly at the hands of the Nationalists.

The bodies, including those of women were found with unimpaired mutilations, he said, and others were delivered beyond recognition.

He stated that some of the women who have survived had been assaulted, and feared that the death toll will be still larger after a complete check.

At least 100 Japanese houses were pillaged. Twenty wounded had been brought to a place of safety.

Japanese military officials place the casualties even higher and state their belief that there are probably 300 Japanese civilians killed, including parties, recovering the bodies of Japanese in the area between the foreign settlement and the walled city, which was a sort of no man's land, found several which had apparently been buried alive, while others had been burned after dropping accounts, and hastily buried by the Chinese, as if to hide evidence of these deaths.

Doubles In One Year

Revenue Derived From Income Tax Shows Big Increase

Ottawa.—In an interview, the Hon. W. D. Fisher, Minister of National Revenue, stated that the collection of income tax as at May 3 of the current fiscal year are \$28,890,615.21 compared with \$9,459,495 for the same period last year, an increase of \$19,431,119.76.

Mr. Fisher attributed this to the increased efficiency and to the fact that this division and the greater effort to discover "coupon clippers" who have failed to report interest received from government, municipal and corporation bonds.

Going To Olympic Games

Montreal.—About 50 young men and women from Canada will travel to Amsterdam in July, to take part in the Olympic Games. Dr. A. R. Lamb, manager of the Canadian expedition, said recently:

Official Says Records Prove New Inspection Plan Is Barring Settlers

Ottawa.—"Canada is receiving a decreased number of British immigrants owing to the new medical inspection system." This assertion was made at session of the House immigration inquiry by Col. J. S. Dennis, chief commissioner of immigration, Canadian Pacific Railway.

The records of his company showed a decrease of 40 per cent. in British newcomers for the same period of this year, as compared with a similar period in 1927, Col. Dennis stated.

A system of inspection of immigrants on the other side by royal doctors, under the supervision of a small body of Canadian doctors, would be very preferable to the present system of inspection by Canadian doctors only at British ports, he continued.

Col. J. S. Dennis, British army reservist, explained a system of training soldiers in agriculture for a period of six months prior to their discharge from the British army. About 35,000 soldiers were discharged annually in England. A number of them

Gen Currie Receives Verdict

Jury Finds Article Criticizing Sir Arthur Was Libellous

Cobourg, Ont.—By a poll of eleven to four a civilian jury rendered a verdict against W. T. R. Preston, writer of the article which appeared on June 15, 1927, in the Port Hope Guide, entitled "Moss," and against the publisher of the paper, F. W. Wilson. The jury, after four hours' deliberation, found that publication of this article was libellous and they awarded General Sir Arthur Currie, who was the aggrieved party in the case, damages of \$500.

The former commander of the Canadian corps had claimed \$50,000.

The trial opened on April 10, in the Ontario supreme court, session at Cobourg before Mr. Justice Rose and a jury, the hearing of evidence and address by Frank Regan, of Toronto, W. T. R. Preston conducted his own case.

Sir Arthur was represented by W. N. Tilley, K.C., Toronto, and F. W. Wilson, K.C., Cobourg.

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Prepare For Night Flying

Beacons Have Been Ordered For Canadian Air Route

Ottawa.—Night flying will soon be a factor in aviation in Canada, according to plans being formulated by the civil aviation branch, department of national defence, for the first lighted airway in the Dominion, says the Ottawa Journal.

Tenders it is understood are to be called for by the government for five giant beacon lights to be placed at intervals of 35 miles along the north shore of the St. Lawrence river on the air route from St. Hubert near Montreal, Montreal, to Lévis, Que. This will form a great part of the air mail route from Rimouski to Island Point, which opened for the season on May 6.

Starts Air Express Service

Montreal.—Canada's first regular package express air service was established when the Canadian Package Express Company entered into contract with the Canadian Transcontinental Airways Limited, respecting the carrying of package express mail.

The new service was inaugurated on May 4, upon the arrival at Rimouski of the "Empress of Scotland."

Calgary.—Margaret Kinney, of Edmonton, won the Alberta artistic gymnastics title at the recent Calgary. The judges were: Chief Justice Hartley, Mr. Justice Tweedie and Bishop L. R. Sherman. Hon. Fern Baker, Minister of Education, presided.

London.—While the assisted passage rates for migrants to Canada are low, the restrictions on migration are severe, the Overseas Settlement committee states in its annual report, published recently.

The rule that those persons who have settled down to any other occupation than that of agriculture are not allowed to nominate families for assisted passage to the Dominion is pointed out as one of the restrictions.

The committee expressed the opinion that the restrictions might be modified to mutual advantage and hope is voiced that the nomination system will be extended to enable persons to enter other occupations besides farm work.

Think British Envoy Should Be Canadian

British Labor M.P. Suggests Dominion Citizen For Post At Washington

London.—Appointment of a Canadian as principal representative of Great Britain at Washington is a suggestion made in a book, "The Freedom of the Seas," just published by Lt.-Commander J. M. Kenworthy, Labor M.P., and George Young, once attaché to the late Lord Dufferin in the British embassy at Washington.

Referring to the wide differences between the two countries the authors state that in their belief the conflicting policies can be reconciled. They continue:

"There is now a new diplomatic channel and democratic citizen in the Canadian diplomatic representative and his staff at Washington. Canada is a bond for peace between Great Britain and the United States and her mission in Washington might become a bridge for political confidence and co-operation."

"We might indeed do worse than persuade the Canadian Government to release an important citizen of the Dominion to represent England and the Empire at Washington when next there is a vacancy at the British embassy, and let the foreign office be represented by an official who would be a junior to the representative."

Commencing Work On Peace River Highways

Alberta Ministers Made Inspection Tour Over Proposed Route

Edmonton.—Hon. O. L. McPherson and J. D. Robertson, minister and deputy minister of public works, have returned from an inspection tour over the proposed route of the Peace River Highway. They went as far north as High Prairie, visiting a number of points where road construction details required decision before the season's work begins.

Work on the new highway into the North is to be commenced at once and will be pushed forward as rapidly as conditions will permit during the spring and summer. A working crew has already made camp in the Lesser Slave Lake region, where a considerable amount of clearing is to be done for the new line.

Mr. McPherson, in hopeful of better conditions than last year, which in turn will make possible a better construction record for the season.

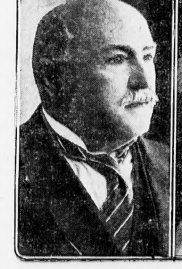
Would Amend Divorce Bill

Ottawa.—J. D. Woodworth, Labor member of North Centre Winnipeg, again moved in the house to amend a divorce bill. Mr. Woodworth moved that the bill be amended, to give the wife—the petitioner—the custody of the child, while the father should pay \$500 a year for the child's maintenance as long as the mother remained unmarried, and \$200 a year if she remarried. The husband in this case should not have the right to remarry again and if he went through the process of marriage he would be subject to seven years' imprisonment.

Starts On Long Trip

Chicago.—The job of putting the Rotary club on "main street" in Jerusalem, Constantinople, Cairo, and the cities of the Orient, has been given to James Davidson, of Calgary, Alta., who has started a seven months trip. Mr. Davidson is a past vice-president of Rotary International. His literary includes: Manchuria, Dutch East Indies, French Indo-China, Siam, India, Arabia, Egypt, Palestine, Turkey and Greece.

FAMOUS CANADIAN EXPLORER



Captain J. E. Bernier, the Arctic explorer and his wife. It was 20 years ago this last year that Captain Bernier took possession of the Arctic archipelago in the name of Canada. He has always been a champion of the Hudson's Bay route and the nomination of the strait as a score of times without the least mishap. At 76, this iron man, who came over from the wooden ships to the iron ship, is a physical marvel and is far from having made his last entry in his log books.

SUCCESSFUL POLAR FLIGHT



Capt. George Wilkins, who flew over the north pole from Point Barrow to Spitzbergen, covering some 2,200 miles in 52 hours.

Washington Greets Fliers

Crew Of Bremen Presented With Distinguished Flying Crosses

Washington, D.C.—The crew of the Bremen was welcomed to Washington as pioneers whose feat symbolized the coming-of-age of the nation to supplement the narrow distance between the nations of the world.

Coming by train in the early hours of the morning, the German-Irish trio, who accompanied the first successful flight of an airplane over the North Atlantic from the east, received the Secretary of State Frank H. Kellogg's greetings of the nation to supplement the tumultuous welcome they were given in New York City.

The three fliers, Von Huenfeldt, Fitzmaurice and Koehl, were greeted as men who had "marked another milestone in the path of man's conquest over the forces of nature."

After Secretary Kellogg had greeted them Ambassador Von Fritzsche, of Germany, and Hon. Timothy B. Sullivan, minister of the Irish Free State, stepped forward to offer welcome.

Present among those participating in the welcoming ceremonies was Col. C. A. Lindbergh and Eddie McKee, the U.S. war ace.

Later in the day the Bremen trio received from President Coolidge the distinguished flying crosses awarded them by Congress.

Grants Will Be Discontinued

Federal Assistance For Vocational Training Ends With Fiscal Year

Ottawa.—The grants of the Dominion Government to technical education will be discontinued at the end of the present fiscal year, Premier Macleod King told a large delegation which waited on the Government to urge that the federal assistance be continued.

The grants were begun in 1919, and the act provided that they be continued for a period of ten years. The minister said that the Government was a matter solely within the jurisdiction of the provincial governments and the obligations of the federal government were so heavy, his government had come to the conclusion that the assistance to the provinces for technical education would not be continued when the present act expires.

The government would consider the cases of provinces which had been late in starting vocational training and therefore had not received the full benefit of the grants at the time provided, these being allowed further time.

Alberta Is Considering Enforcement Of Old Age Pension Scheme

Asks More Financial Help For Settlers

British Welfare Worker Advocates Ottawa Re-Union Scheme

Ottawa.—"Canada must not become another melting pot; we must keep Canada British." So stated Albert Chamberlain, president of the British Welfare and Welfare League, Toronto, in appearing before the agriculture committee of the House considering immigration problems.

"There ought to be some financial assistance available to help British women and children to join their husbands in Canada, provided they can be taken care of on arrival," continued Mr. Chamberlain.

"There are today thousands of British men living in Canada apart from their wives and children in the Old Country and this is an undesirable condition of affairs for Canada, for our husbands and wives and for the Old Country," he said.

The British government was prepared to financially assist the league in its family reunion scheme if the Ontario and Dominion governments or either one of them were prepared to bring in 100 British women and children to Canada annually if the proper financial system was in operation.

Radium Specialist Martyr To Science

Has Lost Left Hand But Will Continue His Work

Paris.—For the tenth time in two years Henri Boudreau, radium specialist at St. Louis hospital, Paris, has submitted to the amputation of a finger joint. His right hand is in contact, but ten operations have cut the left away. The skin effect which develops cancer is responsible. His hip also is affected. Physicians have warned M. Boudreau that his martyrdom will be fatal, but the radioactivity of his studies in the uranium made greater sacrifices for humanity.

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Edmonton.—Careful inquiry will be made between now and the next session of the provincial legislature, it is stated by Premier Brownie, into the question of old age pensions.

This will be with a view of determining whether or not the Dominion act shall be put into force in Alberta, and the information will be available for the legislature and for the purposes of the government in deciding upon its policy.

As part of the proposed inquiry, a canvass will be made of the municipalities throughout the province in order to ascertain the numbers likely to be requiring pensions under the Dominion act. The probable cost of such pensions will be one of the most essential points in deciding the question.

The premier does not think that Alberta will follow the example of Ontario, which has appointed a commissioner for a similar investigation, the appointment having gone to J. A. Ellis, fuel controller for the province. The work here will, instead, be done by various members of the civil service and government staff.

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New Impetus Being Given To Cattle Raising Industry As a Result Of High Prices

The active demand for Canadian cattle in the United States, which has elevated prices to levels never before reached, together with the prospect of this situation continuing for some time to come, has given an entirely new impetus to the beef-raising industry of Western Canada, for which the outlook a few years ago appeared so gloomy, says a bulletin of the Canadian Pacific Railway. At the same time the realization is steadily taking more general hold among Canadian agriculturists that a great and prosperous future awaits the Dominion in the sheep industry, according to the railroad. "There is every justification for an expansion of these, two as well as other branches of the live-stock industry, the writer adds. "Governments and live-stock organizations have been working to effect this," the bulletin continues, "and already the fruits of their efforts are apparent. During 1927 the number of beef cattle in Canada increased by some 20 per cent. over the previous year, and in Western Canada, particularly the home of the beef animal, numbers increased by over 75 per cent. In the same year the number of sheep in Canada increased by about 4 per cent. and in Western Canada by more than 9 per cent. There is every indication that despite heavy sales there will be further increases recorded in the present year, and thereafter steady expansion is to be expected.

"Looking no further than the occupied farms of Western Canada, great opportunity for the expansion of the live-stock industry is revealed. The average farm in this territory is of considerable extent. The average farm acreage in Manitoba is 274 acres; in Saskatchewan, 268 acres; in Alberta, 352 acres; and in British Columbia, 120 acres. The number of the farms in Manitoba are over 500 acres in extent; 61 per cent. of them in Saskatchewan, 51 per cent. in Alberta and about 9 per cent. in British Columbia. Yet on the average Manitoba farms there are less than 5 beef cattle, and but 5.5 sheep; in Saskatchewan, 11 beef cattle, and 14 sheep per farm; in Alberta, 3.2 cattle and 6.5 sheep; and in British Columbia, using the number of farms in 1921 which are the latest available, approximately 2 head of beef cattle and 6.8 sheep.

Even considering the vast tracts given up to pure grain growing, it is very clear that Western Canadian farms could be carrying substantially more stock. At the time of the last agricultural census it was disclosed that of all the occupied farms in Western Canada 41 per cent. in the land in Manitoba, 52.13 per cent. in Saskatchewan, 58.93 per cent. in Alberta and 80.97 per cent. in British Columbia was unimproved. A total of 12.93 per cent. in Manitoba, 6.10 per cent. in Saskatchewan, 7.43 per cent. in Alberta and 37.62 per cent. in British Columbia was in woodlot, and of no use for most forms of agriculture until cleared, remaining as the unit of occupied farms, amounting to 27.28 per cent. of the land in Manitoba, 20.06 per cent. in Saskatchewan, 17.45 per cent. in Alberta and 25.72 per cent. in British Columbia, was natural pasture and an such suited to the raising of cattle, sheep or other live stock.

"In addition to the wide opportunity existing on the farms of Western Canada for greater expansion in these branches of the live-stock industry on an intensive scale, account must be taken of the larger operations of ranching, which is still an important factor and in several sections an increasing one in the raising of cattle and sheep. A distinct impetus to the ranching industry of Western Canada was given by the improvement of the frontier by amendment to allow of the granting of 21-year leases in Southern Alberta and Saskatchewan and in the railway belt of British Columbia. These Government grazing leases last year totaled 6,262,225 acres, an increase of 154,130 acres over the previous year, and a increase in the number of leases of nearly 600.

"It is interesting to find that when Western Canada has so broadly extended its reputation as a live stock producer a more consciousness has been made upon the industry, and the scope for development is immense. Circumstances have combined to make the present a propitious time for inaugurating a great program of expansion, and there would appear to be good times ahead for those who will engage in live stock production in the territory. Other ranchmen, farmers and ranchers or newcomers to the country."

W. N. C. 1732



Youth Wins Big Prize

Arthur Cleland Lloyd, nineteen-year-old Vancouver youth, who won the prize of \$1,000 offered by E. W. Dealy, Chairman and President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, for orchestral suite upon to all comers. This prize is given in connection with the Quebec Folk Song and Handicrafts Festival which is to be held in Quebec, May 21-28.

Mr. Lloyd has been under the tutelage of Percy Gruinger, in Chicago, and is at the present time studying under Harold Bauer and Niall MacMillan, in New York. He was the distinction of Associate of Toronto Conservatorium of Music with full honors while at the age of thirteen.



Excellent Travel Dress

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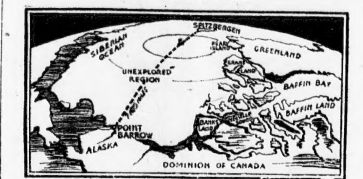
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The home custom to supply the power needed on most farms, and there are tasks and times, most seasons, when its ally, the tractor, can render valuable service in speeding up the work or getting a job done at the right time. Farmer's Advocate

COVERS LONESOME TRAIL



Map shows the route of the polar flight recently completed by Captain George Wilkins.

Women On The Farm

About 124,000 Occupied In Industry In England and Wales
Of 184,000 agricultural workers in England and Wales, 104,500 are women and girls, 52,949 being classed as regular workers on the land, and 41,607 as casual workers. These figures do not comprise women employers or domestic servants, but they do include daughters working on holdings. The census for 1921 showed that there were 10,440 women farmers. Adding these to the above total of 104,500, it would seem that there are approximately 124,000 women (82,300 permanent and 41,607 casual) who might be described as "independently occupied" in the industry.

Canada's Trade With China

Canada's trade with China has grown more rapidly than with any other country, not even excepting Germany, in the post-war period. This is indicated in figures of Chinese maritime customs. The report for the calendar year 1926, issued by the Chinese Government, shows that importation of Canadian produce increased by more than 400 per cent. over the previous year, from \$5,742,720 to \$15,840,619.

Conscience makes cowards of us all or else cowardice makes us consciences.

If they adopt that year of thirteen months, won't the instalments come due quicker?

Fort a La Corne Memorial

Government Historic Sites Committee
At a meeting of the Prince Albert Historic Society, the erection of a memorial at Fort a La Corne, about fifty miles east of the city, was discussed. The work will be undertaken by the government department of historic sites, Canada.

The following inscription is to be placed on the monument:
"Fort a La Corne. The most westerly and most northerly post founded by the French fur-traders. Built in 1753 near this spot by Legardeur de La Pierre, the successor of La Verendrye. James Finlay, about 1771, erected in this vicinity a fort, later called Fort St. Louis, which was maintained by the Northwest Company until 1800.

"In 1846 the Hudson's Bay Company re-occupied this place. The site has been frequently changed and the fort has had many names."
Lost We Forget
It is startling to learn that there are still fifteen thousand wounded soldiers in our war homes and war hospitals. There is a danger that because they are out of our sight they may be out of our mind. It is said that in one of the hospitals there has been no entertainment for three years. Most of the broken men are young, but they are doomed to life-long invalidism. They should not lack loving friendship and affection in their isolation and suffering.—London Sunday Express.

A Distinctive Canadian Spirit Is Developing Which Will Naturally Demand Expression

That there is a distinctive Canadian spirit demanding expression is the firm belief of Frederick Philip Grove, world traveller and author, who addressed the Canadian Club in Toronto recently on "Canada: the Spiritual Awakening of an Individual." Mr. Grove drew upon his experiences for his subject, and he expressed confidence that there was a specific Canadian attitude to life, to the world, to the universe, to God, which demanded utterance. Only by giving this utterance, he said, could Canadians make the cultured, well-educated people of Europe, Asia or Africa realize what they were, and only by giving it utterance could the voice of the Dominion resound through the centuries.

Mr. Grove's experiences in Western Canada included teaching a school on the prairie attended by foreign-born settlers. Later he received an appointment as principal of a high school in Winnipeg.

Mr. Grove said: "In our Canadian West I have seen old men and women bending over frayed corners of the Bible and other cherished books, their fingers moving the fingers holding the lines, spelling out sentences that seemed to express what they felt. And in their eyes I have seen something new; something I have never seen in the eyes of European peasants. I do not know what it is—a sort of hopefulness. I sometimes ask myself whether it was bred by our wider spaces along our coastlines, our high mountains, crisper air, or something material; and sometimes I think it is bred by the fact that after all it is one of the fundamental desires of man to own the soil on which he stands, and land ownership was beyond their reach in Europe. That Canada has given to them, and thereby freed their spirits."

THE BISHOP AND SHORT SKIRTS
In discussing the current vogue for short skirts, the Bishop of Ely declared that so far as women's dress tends to approximate to man's attire, it became a factor in the disintegration of the social order. He adds that there are many who cannot afford to be so modern. Some English women have been so unkind as to suggest that the truly-shed and stilet-shed ankle of a flapper is just as much the result of exposure to the public gaze as the pattered leg of a bishop. The illustration above presents the contrast.

"Brown eyes," says one of our teachers of psychology, "indicate a strong character." Black eyes, on the other, are indications of a weak defence.

The Deadly Iceberg
No Effective Means Yet Found To Rid Seaways Of Menace
Despite all the advances that have been made in trans-Atlantic navigation, no effective means have yet been found of freeing the seaways of dangers from ice. The best that can be done is to warn ships of the presence of ice and the whereabouts of the various bergs.

Attempts are also made during the summer season to destroy some of the icebergs with shelling. This work is done by a vessel specially commissioned for the purpose and supported jointly by Britain and the United States.

But these measures do not eliminate the danger. Eternal vigilance has to be practised by the captain of every vessel who would successfully avoid the deadly iceberg and bring his ship safely to port.

Outlaw Of War
British Government Warns Welcomes Proposals From U.S.
The British government warmly welcomes the proposals of the U.S. for a further joint effort to safeguard the peace of the world. Sir Austen Chamberlain told the House, replying to a question as to when the Kellogg outlawry of war project would be discussed in Commons.

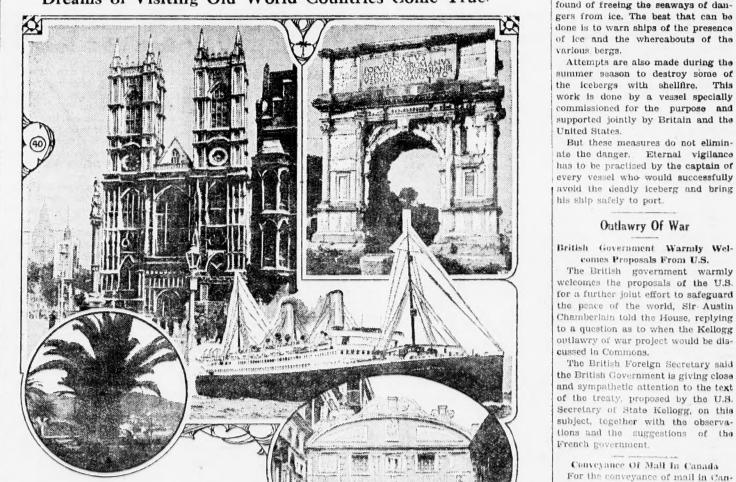
The British Government is giving clear and sympathetic attention to the text of the treaty proposed by the U.S. Secretary of State Kellogg, on this subject, together with the observations and the suggestions of the French government.

Conveyance Of Mail In Canada
For the convenience of mail in Canada 27,547 miles of railway are used. Over this network of lines the mail is carried from Italy by the Post Office Department of Canada in 1926-27.

When it is seen in New York it is 6.30 a.m. in Honolulu, Hawaii.
Itineraries ranging from thirty-two to seventy-three days in extent, including the ocean passage, are possible for the traveller under the Continental College Tours organized by the Arts Crafts Guild of Chicago. The charm of these tours is realized right from the start, for during the thousand mile journey down the mighty St. Lawrence and through the Gulf of the St. Lawrence rising that of any river trip in the old world for beauty and picturesque.

Once overseas there is nothing of importance or interest raised by the tours of the Guild. In England they include the Shakespeare country and London; in the "Iron Countries," the best of Belgium and Holland; in Germany, the Rhine and her great centres; in France, Paris; of course—and in the lovely Riviera with Monte Carlo in its midst; in Switzerland, the Alps; to the south the cities of sunny Italy and romantic Spain; and to the north, in the "Land of the Midnight Sun," Norway and Sweden. Everything is met that the traveller is anxious to see may be visited on these tours.

Dreams of Visiting Old World Countries Come True



Upper left—Old Westminster Abbey, London, Eng. Upper right—The Arch of Titus in Rome. Lower left—Along the waterfront of Padua, Fascist Italy. Lower right—Rising over the Bridge of Sighs in Venice, Italy. Centre right—The Colosseum, Empire of France.

Travelling in Europe for about ten dollars a day, putting overseas travel on a par with a normal holiday at home, is made possible for the American tourist by the happy combination of Tourist Third Cabin Class on the magnificent Atlantic fleet of the Canadian Pacific Steamships and the tours arranged in the old world by the Arts Crafts Guild of Chicago. It is shown by the figures released by these companies.

The creation of this new class of ocean travel on Canadian Pacific vessels has made travel possible for many thousands who have been unable to consider fulfilling their hopes, and during the past few years it has become fully established in popularity. The economy effected by this class of ocean passage makes a comprehensive European tour possible for every traveller, who during the Atlantic voyage enjoys surroundings and comforts equal to those until recently associated only with first class accommodation. Staterooms are above the water line, each with hot and cold running water, and the public rooms—reading rooms, drawing rooms, smoking rooms, dining saloons—are commodious and tastefully furnished. Orchestras are carried for special entertainments and dancing. These take place on the broad promenade decks or within doors.

Greatness Of The Wheat Pool

Has changed the Whole Economic Situation, and Given the Farmer Confidence

"The wheat pools are today Canada's greatest industries in point of annual turnover occupying the trans-continental railways," declared P. J. Garland, M.P. for Bow River, Alta., in an address before a local service club in Montreal.

"They are the only things that exceed in value of turnover," he continued. "We charter greater ocean spaces than any other organization in the Dominion; and this whole thing is managed, this whole policy is dictated by the 'little Willies'."

"The cost of operation, the total cost to us of the wheat pool was nine-twentieths of a cent per bushel for our provincial pool and our total cost of handling our central selling agency was one-fifth of a cent a bushel.

"Before the pool, the whole crop was placed on the market at once. We threw nearly 200,000,000 bushels of wheat at the buyer in three months," he said. "Today we distribute it throughout the demand season. If there is no demand we don't offer."

"It is the greatest thing under heaven for us. It has changed the whole aspect, economically and otherwise, and it has given the farmer control."

Old Beliefs Are Deceptive

Many Ideas We Have About Animals Are Incorrect

A legend still believed by many people is that the porcupine is able to shoot its quills. The animal is incapable of such a feat, though, if attacked, its quills will pierce the flesh of its attacker and stay there.

Most of us have the idea that a cat can see in the dark. But while a cat can see in light so dim that most people, practically blind, no eyes are of any use where there is no light.

Another popular delusion is that swans are fond of croaking like people. This insect's real name, however, is ear-wig instead of ear-wig, and it is so called because its wings are similar in shape to the human ear.

The lion's size and appearance and inspiring roar have given him the title of King of Beasts. Actually, he is neither so large nor so strong as the tiger, and is, on the whole, rather a mean-spirited animal. Lion-tamers assert that the lion is far more easily handled than any of the other big cats, and big game hunters will tell you that the leopard is a more dangerous animal than either lion or tiger.

How Your Mind Works

Best Results Obtained In Mental Work During Late Afternoon and Evening

When we go to bed early, hoping to wake up fresher than usual, we generally seem to wake up drowsier than after a late night.

In fact, the longer and "deeper" we sleep, the more tired we wake up. Mental tests show that students averaged a ten per cent. higher score at night than immediately after eight hours' restful sleep.

In the morning when your mind is fresh it is best prepared for a brief sport, but it is too restless to concentrate. As the day wears on the mind is helped to concentrate by fatigue which accumulates in the system. They act as mental excitants, and the best time for sustained mental work is from late afternoon until midnight or later.

If people had to express all their thoughts in words or in quiet, conversation would be lost art.

If listeners would hear good of themselves they should learn to colloquy.



DISHILIONED

"He has already said the names of three women in his sleep, and not one of them was mine!"—Nagels-Lovell, Berlin.

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WALKERS NOT ALL HIKERS

Some Astonishing Records Are Made During Day's Work

Not all long distance hikers are strolling along the public highways. The housewife picking up boys and twirling the daisies, the policeman facing his beat, and the letter carrier on his daily rounds are not so sporadic, but they accumulate records of their own that are astonishing in the aggregate.

An enterprising investigator for the Boston Traveler found that a housekeeper walks every day a distance equal to that from Boston to San Francisco. Perhaps the tired laundress man has a right to his title when it is considered that every three or four weeks he walks farther than from Boston to New York, exclusive of the walking he does outside his office.

An average calculated from the daily walking mileage of a diverse group of persons including salesmen, dancers, waiters, children at play, and others, showed that the average man walks 11 miles a day, or 39,600 steps, or 7 1/2 miles.

The average school girl walks 18 miles a day—and he used his car when he was outdoors. A mailman walked 8 miles a day. A shopper in Boston walked 11 miles to the stores during the Christmas season, though the average shopper in normal times walks 11 miles a day.

The steward in a grip steps live throughout the day, his pelometer at night showed 12 1/2 miles. Even a policeman walks 11 miles a day, chained to his desk walked 6 1/2 miles a day.

If golf is principally valuable for making otherwise inert gentlemen walk, it is effective, for in playing eighteen holes the golfer walks 8 1/2 miles.

The average school girl hikes 11 1/2 miles in a day about her work and play, while her more active brother walks 18 miles a day. A train conductor walked seven miles picking up tickets between Boston and Cleveland, but the total was 11 miles between Boston and Chicago.

The figures shown even more impressive when taken up by the week, a salesman covered 75 miles in his weekly rounds. A girl in a business office made 67, and a stenographer made 60 miles in a week.

Dancers work in small area, but making many mounts rapidly. One registered a mile an act in vaudeville. A chorus girl registered 4 1/2 miles a day, and a dancer walked up 11 miles between 8 o'clock and midnight.

Old Chair Exhibited

At Cairo Museum

Was Made For Mother Of Cheops 5,000 Years Ago

Dr. George A. Reisner, of the Boston Museum-Harvard Expedition, has sent the carrying chair of Queen Hetepheres, the mother of Cheops, to the great Pyramids. The museum at Cairo, where it is on exhibition.

Describing the chair, Dr. Reisner said that it is made of gold and silver with inlaid solid gold hieroglyphs and its exquisite simplicity reveal the artistic sense of the Egyptian civilization of the pyramid building times.

It was about 5,000 years ago that Cheops, the builder of the Great Pyramid, had this chair built for his mother, who was then the greatest lady in the land of Egypt. The Queen sat on cushions on the floor of the carrying chair with her knees up and her arms resting on the arms of the chair.

The reconstruction of the relic of antiquity required almost two years of careful work by the Boston-Harvard expedition.

In Addition

The lady was unpleasantly stout and wanted to be gracefully slim. She mounted a Huxley street doctor, who drew up a dietary for her, ordering her to follow it strictly and report to him in a month.

At the end of the specified time the lady reappeared stouter than ever.

"Are you quite now, madam, that you ate what I ordered?" asked the bewildered physician.

"Everything," answered the patient.

"And nothing else?"

"Nothing whatever, doctor, except, of course, my ordinary meals."

Experts Of Canadian Seals

Canada exported in 1927 seals valued at \$8,061,288. Flax and clover seeds were the principal articles exported. The United States bought \$7,790,825 worth of Canada's seals last year. Small quantities were sold to the British Isles, New Zealand, China, Denmark, France, Japan, Holland, Australia, Sweden, Czech-Slovakia and Russia.

SPRING FLOWERING BULBS

Best Time To Plant To Obtain Finest Flowers Is In the Autumn

In the spring of the year when the flowering bulbs are at their best, many of us decide to plant a bed for future years, but when the autumn has arrived when the planting should be done, our spring decision has been forgotten and the planting is very late. The growing of such bulbs as tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths is a very simple matter but it does require some knowledge of the culture that should be given and of the difference in varieties. To supply this information the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa has brought out a bulletin entitled "Some Flowering Bulbs," covering not only the history and culture of many of the bulbs that succeed in this country, but also the lessons that have been learned in a study of the subject by an experienced horticulturist.

In dealing with the culture of narcissus, the bulletin, which is numbered 85, and available at the Publications Branch of the Department, says that the best time to plant to obtain the finest flowers is early autumn. The bulbs may be left undisturbed for years in ordinary good loamy soil, but planting even to the extent of six inches and three inches apart is recommended with strong bulbs. In a few years these will have multiplied to an extent that will enable one by digging them up and separating them to greatly extend the plantation. The daffodil may be followed in the summer months with annual flowering plants which can easily be planted with a slight working of the soil and the sowing of some easily worked manure. It is the habit of the daffodil to die down. This occurs some weeks after the bloom has faded and gone. The old foliage should, however, not be removed until it has become yellow and unglorious in the bed.

His Lucid Interval

A benevolent elderly man employed his spare time giving addresses to inmates of lunatic asylums.

On one occasion, in pursuit of his hobby, he was giving a talk on a popular subject to the saner section of one of these institutions. Right in the middle of his address, one of the inmates rose up, and, addressing the governor, who was in the chair, asked: "Are we obliged to listen to this drivel?"

The lecturer stopped instantly and addressing the chairman, said: "Shall I go on?"

"You may proceed," said the latter. "That poor fellow only has one lucid interval every twelve months, and so he is not likely to interrupt again."

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Farmers are Shown How To Clean Seed

Saskatchewan Government Forage Crop Cars Pays Visit To Thirty-Four Points

The importance of seed cleaning was demonstrated to more than 2,000 Saskatchewan farmers during the second tour of the provincial government forage crop cars which were operated this spring by means of the co-operation of the Canadian National Railways. Thirty-four points in all were visited and the equipment consisted of one baggage car for seed supply, one baggage car for seed-cleaning machinery, a car for staff accommodation and a coach for lectures. The itinerary covered a large area of north eastern Saskatchewan, working north to Prince Albert, east to Hudson Bay Junction, and finishing at Aberdeen. The average attendance for the run was 3,676.

No greater appreciation of the tour was shown than that which was displayed in the territory lying between Assiniboia and Kelvington, where a large number of "New Canadians" followed the interpretations of the lectures with keen attention.

The determination this year to carry a seed-cleaning machinery car and to demonstrate seed-cleaning with various types of fanning mills, arose out of the seed drill survey conducted by the Dominion Seed Branch during the past two years in the province. Samples taken under this survey revealed the fact that many farmers were actually using such tools as old "rejecters" owing to the presence of noxious and other weed seeds, and it was to impress upon those visiting the lecture cars the utility of attempting to get maximum yields from this type of seed that the seed-cleaning car was requested by the provincial government department of agriculture.

More than 14,000 pounds of grasses, clover, alfalfa, millet and other approved seed sold during the tour. The staff of five lecturers, provided by the government, was transported free by the Canadian National which provided a caretaker as well.

Grows Flowers Without Soil

How to raise plants without soil has been discovered by W. F. Gerike, a professor of the University of California, in experiments at Berkeley. In announcing his discovery yesterday, Gerike said "flowers produced by the 'soil-less' method are sturdier and more delicately colored."

Every man who is the father of a bright son is a firm believer in heredity.

Sheep are old at twelve, but goats live longer and pigs longer still.

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Canada's Water Power Is Well Distributed

Means Much To Paper Manufacturing Which Is One Of Foremost Industries

When it is realized that with only 11 per cent. of our known water power resources developed, the Canadian newspaper industry has already obtained the premier position in the world for production, it would seem as if our growth as a great industrial nation is assured as long as we continue our hydro-electric developments. Pulp and paper manufacturing is one of the foremost Canadian industries and with two natural advantages of almost equal power, namely, an abundant supply of growing pulpwood and easily accessible low priced motive power, it has a future of almost unlimited prosperity. The power is there for the taking and the supply of pulpwood is assured for an indefinite time, thanks to the reforestation policies of such companies as the International Paper Company and to the excellent aerial patrol system now in existence, which are holding the ravages of forest fires in check.

Canada owes her premier advantage and position in the pulp and paper field to the fact that adequate and abundant water power is well distributed among extensive forest reserves so that the mills may be located on the nearest water routes in close proximity to the power developments. As it takes practically 100 b.p. to produce one ton of newspaper per day, this great advantage of utilizing expensive long distance transmission lines has enabled the industry to use some of the cheapest power ever generated.—From The Monetary Times.

Rules For Dairymen

Issued By U.S. To Govern Canadian Milk Exports

Certificates of cleanliness and freedom from tuberculosis infection in their product, issued by the Canadian federal government, must be obtained by Canadian dairymen who intend to export milk and cream into the United States, under the terms of an order issued by the United States government, under which the Lend-Lease Import Milk act will come into effect on the first of June. On that date the temporary permits in use, pending enforcement of the measure, which was passed last year, will become void.

If a man borrows trouble he must expect to pay the highest rate of interest.

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Controlling Cereal Smut

Formalin Found To Be The Only Satisfactory Treatment For Seed Grain

At the Plant Research Laboratory, at Winnipeg, tests were made of a number of methods of controlling smut in seed grain. Seed treatments with formalin and some copper carbonate preparations were conducted in co-operation with the Experimental Stations at Brandon, Manitoba, Indian Head and Swift, Saskatchewan, and Lacombe, Alberta. The tests were made with oats covered with smut spores. Various such as Longfellow and Leader, both highly susceptible to smut, were used. Of the different preparations tried, formalin was found to be the only one that could be relied upon to destroy smut in oats. The other substances tested reduced the amount of smut, but none gave even fair control. In the use of formalin the spray treatment seemed to be superior to either the dip or the granular method. The strength of the solution in the former case was equal parts of water and formalin. The grain was turned with a shovel while the solution was sprayed over the seed with a sprayer such as is used in applying insecticides to trees or garden crops. The officers in charge of the work advised that care must be taken to apply the spray very evenly to the seed. One quart of the spray was found to be sufficient to treat fifty bushels of grain. After the seed was treated it was covered for four or five hours with a fine mist of water to wash the ordinary formalin solution. Seed is ready for sowing at the end of the treating period. The report of the Plant Research Laboratory, that is available at the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture, at Ottawa, also describes the method of treating wheat smut with a gas grain pickler. The seed was divided into small compartments in an ordinary wooden box through which passed a perforated pipe near the bottom. The grain was covered with canvas and passed over the gas pickler. The gas was generated by a mixture of paraformaldehyde subjected to a heating process. The effect of the treatment was to submit the grain to this gas for a considerable period. Not only was the method proved to be of little or no value in killing the smut, but it also had the effect of damaging some of the grain.

Scare For Forest Ranger

Finds Porcupine In Tower Misting Mead Of Dynamite

A porcupine which dined on two sticks of dynamite found its way to the tower in the Tioga state forest district, Pennsylvania, gave a forest ranger the scare of his life. District Forester Paul H. Mulford, of Wellsboro, telephoned the occurrence to Lt. Lynn Emmerich, a bureau chief of the State Department of Forest and Waters.

The ranger was horrified on entering the tower cabin, 60 feet above the ground, to find the porcupine munching dynamite with evident relish.

The ranger made a hasty exit and started down the tower stairs for terra firma. But his fear increased when he found the porcupine following him.

Fears that the porcupine might fall and his dinner explode did not add to the comfort of the harassed ranger.

Emmerich informed Mulford that the dynamite would prove more of a menace to the porcupine than it would to those who got in close proximity to the animal.

He said the dynamite would probably poison the porcupine.

Playing Safe

Asked by his teacher why he had been absent from school the previous day the boy looked uneasy and did not reply.

The schoolmaster insisted, and after further sparring the boy, pointing to the note which the teacher had not noticed on the table, "Please, sir, I don't know what's in the note."

Longest and Shortest Names

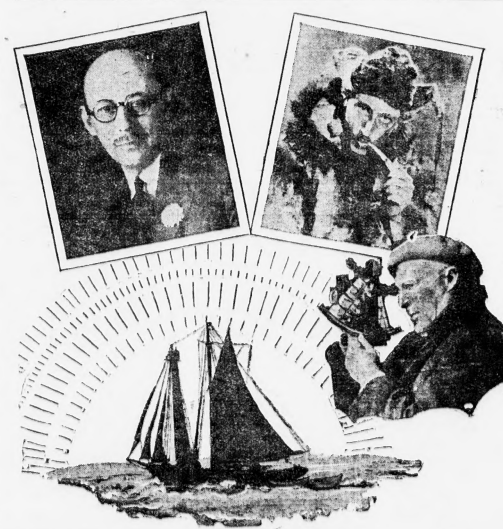
The visitor to New York with the longest name was Fred Zeebrenhorst-banck, of Toronto, registered at the Hotel Commodore. His last name contains eleven letters. The visitor on the same day with the shortest name was Vincent K., of Chicago, who was registered at the Roosevelt.

An Old Superstition

Two persons who wash their hands in the same water, or who dry their hands on the same towel, are liable to go begging together, Sussex folk will tell you. But in the North of England they say to do this signifies a quarrel.

Don't think that every man who takes your advice really wants it.

WILL SEEK MUMMIES IN SIBERIAN CAVES



Members of the Biot-McCracken Siberian Expedition which sails from Prince Rupert to seek mummies reported to be in the caves of the Altaiian hills. Photographs show: Top, left to right: Charles H. Biot, of New York, who is backing the party; and Harold McCracken, noted outdoor motion picture photographer and leader of the party. Bottom, the Schouner Morrison, which will take the party north, photographed in the lee of one of her previous Arctic Journeys, and Captain Bob Bartlett, master of the Morrison. The party are now travelling westward over Canadian National lines to Prince Rupert from which port they will sail for the north.

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Sports Day, July 4

The Empress tennis club held a meeting Tuesday evening.

Grader work on the local ball diamond was in progress today.

Bill Crosbie, it is reported, is still chasing the life of golf ball over a nine hole course.

D. McMillan, road foreman for the constituency was in town, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Moore of Social Plains, were visitors in town today.

Bill Pullen, is doing road work West of town to connect direct with Third Avenue.

Mrs. W. Pullen left this morning for Portland, Ore., on a visit to her son, Leslie and his wife.

The LODGE, will meet at the home of Miss Rowles, on Tuesday, June 5.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. McGinnis, on Thursday, June 7.

It's the wise farmer who hangs on to a few horses, while he invests in tractors.

Emerson McCune, of Abbey, who has been sick with flu was visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Read, over the week end.

The Empress players are presenting the 3. Act Comedy, "What Happened to Jones" in the theatre next Wednesday a dance is to follow.

Via, and Earl Saunders have moved their house from town to their farm—the residence until recently being occupied by Mr. and Mrs. D. McRae.

A visit of Empress ball players to Leader, Wednesday afternoon was cancelled owing to a heavy local rain there.

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Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Bowler, May 28, a son.

"Soft Cushions" is New

"Soft Cushions" coming to the Empress theatre next week is a rollicking comedy that is "new."

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That these innovations are welcomed by the enthusiastic reception the picture is receiving from audiences at the various theatres, where "Soft Cushions" is the feature attraction.

Second Fortnightly
Govt. Crop Report

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Sowing of wheat is practically completed throughout the province, and from forty to fifty per cent. of coarse grains have been sown, according to telegraphic reports received on Friday, by the Department of Agriculture.

The reports to date indicate that there will be some increase in wheat acreage over that of 1927, largely owing to the amount of land summer-fallowed and newly broken last year. Quite a number of farmers are still holding some of their stubble ground in the hope that rain may come within the next few days, in which case wheat will be sown up to the first of June.

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Much of the success of the present season's crop depends on rainfall in the near future as precipitation during the month of May has been considerably below the average, and the prevalence of high winds over a large part of the province has greatly reduced the supply of moisture in the soil. A number of districts report that rain is necessary before satisfactory germination will take place, and in certain

areas of lighter land losses from soil drifting are reported. Early sown crop on summer-fallowed land, however, is doing well and is from four to six inches in height in many localities. The percentage of crop established in this season is somewhat higher than usual.

In some southern districts the alfalfa crop is in need of moisture where irrigation has been delayed. A fair stand of sugar beets is reported, cut-

tings having caused considerable damage in some fields.

In the Peace River section the season is ahead of last year and the crop on summer-fallow is promising half grain seeded on suitable land requires rain to

ensure an even stand.

Mrs. N. Bassarai, made a trip to Swift Current, Monday.

F. Scott and A. Hankin made a trip to Calgary the first of the week.

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